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What do MSOE students do in the summer? For members of the radio club, the answer is partially found in their activities in amateur radio.

The annual summer event participated in by most of the nation's ham population is Field Day. Field Day is both a contest and a serious training event. The idea of Field Day is to prepare hams for disasters, natural or manmade, in which emergency communications is required. To accomplish this, most hams move their portable stations to country, sometimes isolated locations and operate their equipment from gasoline powered electric generators. Then for a period of twenty-four continuous hours, the hams attempt to contact as many other hams around the nation and the world as they can. This is done in an effort to prove their ability to transmit messages under these conditions.

This summer, on June 22-23, the MSOE Amateur Radio Club, headed by President Alan Bingenheimer, will operate under the club call, W9HHX, from Lapham Peak, near Delafield, Wisconsin.

Club advisor, Eugene Alm, assisted by club members Norman Gawrych, Edmund Jilli, Ronald Kunicki and Fred Rusch, will move all the necessary equipment and paraphernalia out to the Field Day site on Saturday morning. Then, at 2 pm, operations will

begin, and last for the remainder of the 24 hour period. In past years, the club has managed to contact every state in the United States from its portable location.

Lapham Peak is located two miles south of Delafield, off County Truck Highway CC. Take I-94 West from Milwaukee to the Delafield exit, and continue south on CC to the park entrance. The entire trip takes about 40 minutes.

This is a very scenic area, located in the Kettle Moraine Forest, and the Radio Club certainly encourages interested people to come out and view our operations (and perhaps cheer us on) and enjoy the beautiful view.

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